# Training Programs for Georgian Scholars (TSU-UTD Program)

# First Cohort May – July 2023

## 1. Todua Nia

Student of the doctoral educational program in Business Administration at the Faculty of Economics and Business, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (since 2021) **Research Direction:** Healthcare Marketing **Research Topic:** The Impact of Social Media Marketing on Consumer Behaviour in the Healthcare Sector **Host School at UTD:** Naveen Jindal School of Management **Host Professor at UTD:** Professor B.P.S. Murthy

#### 2. Nanobashvili Ketevan

Student of the doctoral educational program in Chemistry at the Faculty of Exact and Natural Sciences, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (since 2020)

Research Direction: Physical and Analytical Chemistry

**Research Topic:** Study of the Key Characteristics of Gas and Gel Permeation Chromatography Methods **Host laboratory at UTD:** Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry; Berkner Hall Laboratory. **Host Professor at UTD:** Dr. Mihaela C. Stefan

#### 3. Nikolaishvili Irina

Student at the doctoral education program at the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Biosystems Engineering, Georgian Technical University (since 2021)

Research Direction: Hydrogeology

**Research Topic:** Studying the Impact of Climate Change on Arsenic Transport in Soil and Water **Host laboratory at UTD:** Geochemistry Laboratory of the Department of Geosciences **Host Professor at UTD:** Dr. David Hindman, Leila Izadi

## 4. Ninidze Tata

Student of the doctoral educational program in Biochemistry and Molecular Biotechnology at the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Medicine, Ilia State University (since 2020)

Research Direction: Molecular Biotechnology/Microbiology

**Research Topic:** The Study of the Mechanisms of Development of Antibiotic Resistance in Pathogenic Microorganisms

Host laboratory at UTD: Professor Kelly Palmer's Laboratory Host Professor at UTD: Professor Kelly Palmer

# 5. Khundadze Nana

Student of the doctoral educational program in Chemistry at the Faculty of Exact and Natural Sciences, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (since 2019)

**Research Direction:** Physical and Analytical Chemistry

**Research Topic:** The role of proteins in the biotransformation of ultra-small nanoparticles measuring 2-3 nm

**Host laboratory at UTD:** Natural Science and Engineering Research Lab **Host Professor at UTD:** Professor Jie Zheng

## 6. Jikia Zurab

Student of the doctoral educational program in Geography at the Faculty of Exact and Natural Sciences, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (2012-2024)

Academic degree: PhD in Geography (Tbilisi State University, June 2024)

Research Direction: Water Science

Research Topic: Study of Particle Motion Dynamics in Water Flow Using 3D Laser Velocimetry

Host laboratory at UTD: Mechanical Engineering Laboratory

Host Professor at UTD: Professor Yakin Jin